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FY 75 KIQ STRATEGY REPORT

KIQ 28: What are Warsaw Pact capabilities to fight a sustained non-nuclear war in Europe, including critical stockpiles and the operation of the rear services?

- I. COMMUNITY COLLECTION AND PRODUCTION STRATEGY
 - A. Effort with respect to this KIQ will be concentrated on an assessment of Warsaw Pact logistical systems and stockpiles. Both Warsaw Pact logistics planning and actual resource allocation will also be assessed.
- II. AGENCIES WORKING ON THIS KIQ



B. <u>Production</u>: An interagency production of a US position paper for MC-161 will provide an assessment of Pact capabilities to fight a sustained non-nuclear war in Europe.

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III. COMMENTS OF THE NIO/CF

- A. There are resource shortages in the community which, if continued, will likely preclude an adequate effort with respect to this KIQ. There are not enough CIA and DIA analysts and photointerpreters to conduct an adequate overall assessment.
- B. There should be, but will not be because of the current shortages of analysts and photointerpreters, a study of the strengths, weaknesses and vulnerabilities of the Pact logistic system. Such a study should provide information to Western planners with respect to the weak links in the Pact logistic systems for targeting purposes as well as for use in operational planning of the main current force elements of the west. A study along the lines suggested above will be carried out with CIA and DIA participation, but will not be finished until FY 76.
- C. If more analytic resources were available in the coming year to work on this problem, increased exploitation by

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